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REMARKS

This communication is filed in response to the Office Action of November 25, 2003, for which the unextended period for response is set to expire December 25, 2003. Applicant elects with traverse, the species including nucleic acids of claim 58 and ethylene vinyl acetate of claim 77.

It is to be understood that this election of species is for the sole purpose of the Examiner's initial search and examination, and that upon allowance of a generic claim, all species encompassed by that claim will then be examined. M.P.E.P. § 809.02(c). Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that the search be conducted pursuant to Markush practice thereby providing for the inclusion of all species included in the generic claim and all claims dependent thereon.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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